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No. 5579

CONTINUED DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, the County of Newton, TX, on the 10th day of March, 2016, was in imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from countywide conditions created by torrential rainfall over an excessive period of time, affecting Newton County by causing river flooding in populated areas as well as major infrastructure damage preventing access to or the safe passage on many roadways. Such conditions have created a public safety hazard.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of the County of Newton, TX has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect or rehabilitate property are necessary and hereby ordered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF THE COUNTY OF NEWTON:

- 1. That a state of disaster is declared for the County of Newton, TX, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- 2. That this local state of disaster shall continue for an additional three months by vote of the Commissioners Court on May 9th, 2016 unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners' Court of Newton County, TX.
- Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the county/city Emergency Management Plan.

ORDERED this the 9^h day of May, 2016.

Truman Dougharty

Newton County Judge

ATTEST:

Sandra K. Duckworth, County Clerk